

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1594–1610, and S. Res. 276. **Pages S7615–16**

Measures Passed:

National Bison Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 254, designating November 2, 2013, as “National Bison Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S7634**

National Work and Family Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 276, designating October 2013 as “National Work and Family Month”. **Page S7634**

Measures Considered:

Debt Limit Authority: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 26, relating to the disapproval of the President’s exercise of authority to suspend the debt limit, as submitted under section 1002(b) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 on October 17, 2013. **Pages S7585–95, S7595**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 45 yeas to 54 nays (Vote No. 220), Senate rejected the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S7595**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 55 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 222), Richard F. Griffin, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of four years. **Pages S7595–S7608, S7635**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 62 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. 221), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S7596**

Thomas Edgar Wheeler, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2013.

Michael P. O’Rielly, of New York, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2014. **Pages S7634, S7635**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—222) **Pages S7595, S7596, S7608**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:30 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, October 30, 2013. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S7635.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

HOUSING FINANCE REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine housing finance reform, focusing on the essentials of a functioning housing finance system for consumers, including S. 1217, to provide secondary mortgage market reform, after receiving testimony from Eric Stein, Center for Responsible Lending, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Rohit Gupta, Genworth Financial, Valley, North Carolina; Gary Thomas, National Association of Realtors, Mission Viejo, California; Laurence E. Platt, K&L Gates LLP, and Lautaro Lot

Diaz, National Council of La Raza, both of Washington, DC; and Alys Cohen, National Consumer Law Center, Takoma Park, Maryland.

BROADBAND ADOPTION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet concluded a hearing to examine broadband adoption, after receiving testimony from former Senator John E. Sununu, Broadband for America, and Aaron Smith, Pew Research Center's Internet Project, both of Washington, DC; David L. Cohen, Comcast Corporation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Bernadine Joselyn, Blandin Foundation, Grand Rapids, Minnesota; and Sunne Wright McPeak, California Emerging Technology Fund, San Francisco.

STAND YOUR GROUND LAWS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Human Rights concluded

a hearing to examine "Stand Your Ground" laws, focusing on civil rights and public safety implications of the expanded use of deadly force, after receiving testimony from Representatives Fudge, Gutierrez, and Gohmert; David LaBahn, Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, and Ilya Shapiro, Cato Institute, both of Washington, DC; Ronald S. Sullivan Jr., Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; John R. Lott, Jr., Crime Prevention Research Center, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania; Sybrina Fulton, Miami, Florida; and Lucia Holman McBath, Atlanta, Georgia.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 3361–3379; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 393–394, were introduced. **Pages H6900–01**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6902–03**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Collins (NY) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6831**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:42 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H6836**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Jack Hibbs, Calvary Chapel Chino Hills Church, Chino, California. **Page H6836**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Central Oregon Jobs and Water Security Act: H.R. 2640, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to adjust the Crooked River boundary and to provide water certainty for the City of Prineville, Oregon; **Pages H6850–52**

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act: H.R. 623, amended, to provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium; **Pages H6852–53**

Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial Act: H.R. 330, to designate a Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial at the March Field Air Museum in Riverside, California; and **Pages H6853–54**

Lake Hill Administrative Site Affordable Housing Act: H.R. 2337, to provide for the conveyance of the Forest Service Lake Hill Administrative Site in Summit County, Colorado. **Pages H6854–55**

Retail Investor Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 2374, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide protections for retail customers, by a recorded vote of 254 ayes to 166 noes, Roll No. 567. **Pages H6855–69, H6869–72**

Rejected the Tierney motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce and the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 195 ayes to 223 noes, Roll No. 566. **Pages H6869–71**

Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–23 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill. **Page H6855**

Rejected:

George Miller (CA) amendment (printed in H. Rept. 113–253) that sought to authorize the Department of Labor to issue a fiduciary duty rule that